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Faculty Adopts New Honors Program

Erbe Named Chief Justice Of Men's Judicial Council

Acting as "a medium between the student body and the administration" is, in the words of Henry Erbe '59, newly-elected chief justice, the function of the Men's Judicial Council.

Erbe looks forward to working with the new deans to make the council "as effective a disciplinary liason as possible."

New senior members, as announced by Richard Maider '58, retiring chief justice, are Grover Aldrich, Ronald Friedland and John Halpin. James Wright '59 was elected recorder with Gordon Chader '59 as prosecutor.

Erbe, a chemistry major, is a member of Chi Phi, where he served this year as rushing chairman. President of his class council for three years, he is a member of Blue Key and a proctor in Stewart Hall. His other activities include membership in the ROTC Guards and the College cheering squad.

Henry Moody '59 and Erbe served as members of the council this year. Retiring senior justices are John Castelli, Richard Johnson, Richard Maider, Theodore Miner and Ronald Sundstrom.

The Council tries infractions of the College Handbook submitted by the two men's deans. After "careful consideration" of both sides of the question, they recommend disciplinary action to the deans whose decisions are final.

Faculty OK's Readmission Policy Plan

A new policy for the readmission of students dropped for academic failure was approved Tuesday afternoon by the faculty.

By the new policy, flunkouts will not be readmitted, "except by special action of the Administration Committee." Rectification of factors causing failure, ample motivation and capacity to earn a degree are factors upon which decisions will be based.

The burden of proof of capacity and motivation rests with the student. Readmission is deemed a "distinct privilege, not a right." Comments from former instructors and major advisor will be considered as evidence by the committee.

Readmitted students will be on probation during the first semester after return and will not be readmitted if dropped a second time.

Unanimous Vote Sets Plan; Registration Opens April 21

By ALFRED FARRELL

Long meetings and sacrificed vacations culminated Tuesday in the faculty's unanimous acceptance of the honors program presented by the Faculty Educational Policy Committee.

Impact of the plan varies. For some departments, revolutionary changes will be necessary, while others will adapt their present programs to the unified plan.

Immediate Election

A Faculty Honors Committee will be elected "at once," according to John Bowker, dean of the faculty. Each of the four divisions will elect two members. when one program is established, four members will be elected each year for a two-year term.

Respecting differences among departments in administration of the program, the plan gives "responsibility for establishing detailed procedure" to the individual department. The FHC's purpose is to "achieve a reasonable degree of similarity of viewpoint" as to content and procedure.

Although the committee is basically a "promoter of interest in honors work and coordinator of the several departments' efforts," its decisions on admission of students to the program will be final.

Registration Monday

Registration for the program, open to juniors in the top third of their class for two of the three previous semesters, will begin Monday. Each department will determine its own policy for refusal or favorable recommendation of acceptable applicants to the FHC.

Accepted honors candidates will register for a 70 course in their major departments. Six credit-hours will be awarded for satisfactory completion of the project even if honors are not granted.

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Drive for Blood Begins April 21; 200-Pint Goal Set

Middlebury's spring blood drive will take place from 11 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. Monday, Apr. 21, in McCullough gym.

A goal of 200 pints has been set, 25 pints above the 175-pint average donated in the past three semesters.

Donors must be at least 18 years of age; those under 21 must have a permission slip signed by parents. Juice, sandwiches and coffee will be served.

The Women's Forum blood drive committee, headed by Barbara Freeman '59, is in charge of publicity and registration on the day of the drive. Mrs. Walter E. Brooker acts as Red-Cross-campus coordinator for the drive.

In view of the urgent need for human blood, Miss Freeman hopes "that there will be a good showing of both faculty and students at the drive."

Council Judges Reorganization Methods Tonight

By CAROLYN EYSTER

A fifth proposal for reorganization of the Undergraduate Association which embodies and expands four previously suggested plans will be discussed and voted upon at a UA Council meeting tonight.

Although this proposal involves the greatest constitutional change, it is "completely workable," according to UA chairman Grace Warder '58.

The purpose of this fifth plan is to "provide a central channel through which considered student opinion can be presented to students, faculty and administration officers."

Four previous suggestions range from similar complete constitutional revision to minor changes in election method.

Under the latest proposal, UA would be headed by a grand council of approximately 35, including heads of fraternities, class councils and such organizations as Interfraternity Council, CAMPUS, Mortar Board, Student Educational Policy Committee and judicial councils.

The grand council would serve as a recommending body to faculty and administration and would coordinate and direct student government.

A larger sub-council of about 65 representing other student organizations would discuss non-governing policies.

If passed by the Council tonight, the measure will be placed before the groups to be incorporated within the grand council.

Greeks Name New Slates For 1958-'59

With spring comes new foliage, new romance and new sorority officers. Last week the six organizations completed their major elections.

Susan Tallman '59 will head Alpha Xi Delta. She is now the sorority's corresponding secretary and a junior counselor. Other officers are vice-president, Anne Horton '60; corresponding secretary, Mary Seelye '60; recording secretary, Patricia Johnson '60; treasurer, Dorothy Cattelle '60.

Delta Delta Delta's slate lists president Barbara Burch '59; Miss Burch works on the management staff of Kaleidescope, and she will assist on a Junior Weekend committee. Vice-president of the sorority is Carolyn Kuebler '59. Other officers include marshal, Cynthia Haver '59; chaplain, Susan Benham '59; recording secretary, Eleanor Bliss '59; treasurer, Judith Richardson '60; corresponding secretary, Hester Lewis '59.

JoAnn Witmer '59 was elected president of Kappa Kappa Gamma. She is now sorority rushing chairman, a junior counselor, co-chairman of the freshman planning committee, chairman of step-singing for Junior Weekend and a member of the choir and the Missfits.

Other KKG officers: vice-president, Gayl Maxwell '59; effici-

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Award Board Names Beers

Dr. Douglas S. Beers, professor of English, has been named to the Vermont judging team for the newly adopted high-school English achievement awards program sponsored by the National Council of Teachers of English.

The nation-wide program is directed toward the granting of recognition to outstanding high-school seniors for excellence in English.

Beers will be one of four Vermont judges. They will evaluate nominees' writing and special tests to determine outstanding high-school students of English in the state.

Two award winners from each state will receive NCTE recognition and will be recommended for college scholarships.

The Inside Story

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JUNIOR WEEKEND GLAMOR . . . . . Standing in front of Forest West are, from left to right; first row: Kathleen Bush, Dorothy Landry, Pamela Payne; second row: Elizabeth Butterfield, Gretchen Jordan, Sally Newell, Noel Caseley; third row: JoAnn Witmer, Barbara Burch, Nancy Smoller, Ann Turenne. One of these women will be elected Junior Weekend Queen. CAMPUS — Kopf

Three-Ring Circus Stars Lewis, Lanin

Heralded by a pink, white and black poster, Junior Weekend Circus, Apr. 24 - 27, features three "rings" and a "sideshow."

Narrated jazz by the George Lewis New Orleans Jazz Band, appearing at 7:30 Thursday in the High-School gym, constitutes the circus's first "ring," according to Weekend co-chairmen Stuart Purdy and Martha Gerhart.

Music by Lester Lanin will highlight Friday's main-ring ball, featuring pink and aqua circus decorations. Cornation of the Junior Weekend queen, songs by the Missfits and the Dissipated Eight's traditional presentation of new members complete the evening's scheduled agenda.

Saturday's "sideshow" in the Field House includes a chicken dinner and competing fraternity acts carrying out the circus theme and coordinated by barker George Jay. An all-music chapel service at 11 a. m. and the traditional step-singing at 2:30 p. m. Sunday complete the Weekend program.

Also scheduled are baseball with Union Friday, lacrosse with Hamilton and track with Trinity Saturday, as well as fraternity buffets and parties.

Weekend programs and copies of the competitively-selected circus poster, designed by Elizabeth Butterfield, are now on sale in dormitories and fraternities.

Starting this week, Weekend tickets will be sold in dorms and houses and in the Student Union.

A tent-shaped combo ticket covering jazz contest, ball and dinner and acts will cost $8.50. Separately, the three events are $2, $4.50 and $2 respectively. Single tickets are available for Thursday and Saturday nights.

Campus-wide voting for Junior Weekend queen — one vote per person — will take place from 10-12 a. m. and 3-5 p. m. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday in the Student Union.

Mortar Board Chooses Six In Chapel Tap

By JANE COLLINS

In ceremonies Tuesday morning six junior women were tapped for membership by Mortar Board, women's honorary.

Martha Gerhart is Junior Weekend co-chairman, a house president, WUA member. She is song leader of Kappa Kappa Gamma, a member of the choir and of the Missfits. She was chairman of the 1957 Midd-Nite show.

Cynthia Hall is on the Women's Forum Board and has had charge of a group of Girl Scouts. She is pledge trainer of Kappa Kappa Gamma, a house president and a junior counselor. In the fall she served on the Freshman Planning Committee and was co-chairman of the Community Chest Fair.

Anne Martin is rush chairman of Pi Beta Phi, president of Women's Forum and a junior counselor. She is a member of Skyline and was secretary of this year's Winter Carnival. She served on the publicity committee for Conference.

Carolyn Parks has been active as a member of Skyline and was co-chairman of the Winter Carnival food committee. She is a cheerleader, junior counselor and gives music lessons for Women's Forum.

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Another Step Forward

The unanimous acceptance by the faculty of the new academic honors program is the latest and greatest step forward in the dynamic progress of both intellectual and physical improvement at Middlebury College.

Particularly to be commended is the hard work over the past three years of the Faculty Educational Policy Committee under the chairmanship of Prof. Donald Ballou, which formulated the recently adopted program.

Until now, the student seeking honors had three plans from which to choose. Under one plan, a student could be voted honors by his department solely for outstanding work in his regular courses in his major, while under another, a student had to submit a thesis of some length and scope. This was an unequal and inequitable situation.

The old program was also deficient in that not many students took advantage of plans requiring a thesis due to pressing time requirements, since the undertaking of an honors project in any other program than the 50 course involved a six-course schedule. Under the new system, the 70 course, as the honors program is to be named, will be a regular part of the student's academic load.

With the adoption of the new honors program by the faculty, independent study leading to honors is within the reach, both from a time and academic standpoint, of more students. Also, independent study per se will be increased under the new program.

The implications of the adoption of this program are plain. The reputation of the College continues its upward trend. Approval of the new honors program, according to informed sources, is only the beginning of a series of moves which will bring more independent study opportunities for all Middlebury undergraduates. And clearly this new program is further tangible evidence of the ever-increasing academic standards of the College.

Congratulations in large measure are due to the faculty for their continuous, concentrated efforts on behalf of the College which with the institution of this new program have so richly borne fruit.

Fraternity Room Changes

The recent announcement by a Middlebury fraternity that seniors and juniors will receive preference in room selection marks an important step towards the elimination of a local problem.

The problem, supported by statistics, stems from a vague excuse word sometimes termed "sophomore slump." This slump is brought on by a direct correlation between sophomore academic failure and the fraternity environment. In past years a sophomore burdened by a more difficult schedule has resided in the fraternity house. The fraternity environment poses different problems than the previous year. Certain adjustments must be made.

The fraternity may or may not be at fault. Often it is the lack of adjustment by the sophomore that terminates his academic career.

It is quite possible that by giving preference to upperclassmen in respect to fraternity rooming, sophomore academic standards will be raised.

LETTERS

Math Correction

To the Editor:

I am writing to ask if you would print a correction of what seems to be a misunderstanding on the part of some students. The taking of mathematics is NOT required of freshmen, nor is it a general College requirement for graduation. Certain majors do require a year or more of mathematics, and freshmen planning to major in one of these fields are usually well advised to take mathematics. For students in all other fields, freshmen and upperclassmen, mathematics is completely elective, to be taken or not entirely as the individual chooses.

DONALD H. BALLOU
Professor of Mathematics

Graduate Praise

To the Editor:

With every issue of the CAMPUS I feel better about my alumni contributions! Middlebury is changing if the CAMPUS articles are any just index, and changing for the better.

All year I have been vaguely moved to write to the CAMPUS a note of congratulations for an ever-growing paper, but it was not 'til this week's issue that I was moved more than vaguely. This paper is packed with things to make a Middlebury graduate proud — "Bridge League Is Big Success," "Faculty Authors Seen Plentiful," "Education and the Dilettante," "Faculty Forum," "Taking Athletes a Threat to Reputation of College," etc. I was especially happy about two articles—"Faculty to Consider FEPC Honor Plan," which is really a step toward independent thinking, and that much-desired intellectualism, and "PKT Changes House Policy," whereby PKT is to "stimulate intellectual atmosphere." Middlebury must be a new place!

One could not ignore Dana Nuall. I hope she teaches as well as entertains.

With the New Middlebury about to be born, I wish I were just starting my four years!

PAN LIBMAN '57

OLD INK

40 YEARS AGO

"Many people appear to have forgotten that 'cuts' aren't given them to use for pleasure. It's true that the spring weather furnishes many prospects that are sufficiently alluring, but it is also true that these last days of College are among the most important." Apr. 17, 1918.

25 YEARS AGO

"'Am Burschenlied aus Heidelburg,' a German talking picture, was given at the Opera House Saturday. The picture portrayed student life at Heidelburg, centering around the adventures of an American girl, and a love affair between her and an young German student. Another attraction was the description of a bear hunt in the mountains of Germany." Apr. 19, 1933.

10 YEARS AGO

"A ping-pong table and a billard table have been installed in the basement of the Student Union Building. Any student may sign up to use either table, one-half hour for the billiard table and fifteen minutes for the ping-pong table. Students are requested to obey the regulations posted in the basement." Apr. 22, 1948.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The CAMPUS wishes to thank Mary T. Fromholz for contributing the Dana Nuall series. Her weekly satirical sketches were a controversial feature of the newspaper.

College Students Hit Too-Easy Courses

By ANN SKINNER

As a result of a series in the Tufts Weekly, the Student Council of Tufts College recently appointed a committee to discuss with the Tufts Faculty Committee on Academic Standing minimum academic standards, or gut courses.

At Wesleyan College, the Wesleyan Argus published an analysis of so-called gut courses, naming specific courses and professors.

According to the study, there is no college subject which cannot be made more difficult by the professor teaching the course. The professor has ultimate control over the challenge offered to students by his classes.

The "easy - going, personality - conscious professor" is scored for giving good grades for the least amount of work. Background of individuals and differences in subject matter are other determining factors in differentiating courses.

Here at Middlebury Faculty Educational Policy Committee and Student Educational Policy Committee, working over the last three years, have re-evaluated courses, particularly on the student level.

Upperclass student opinion generally asserts that the majority of courses have definitely toughened over the last College generation.

Donald Ballou, FEPC chairman, stated, "There has been a gradual change in the direction of more worthwhile courses, not consciously striven for but a natural development as the faculty has tried to improve the courses that they offer."

Marty Lauds Laboratories; Stresses Teachers, Texts

Acute teacher shortage produces the problem of mass production in education today, according to Fernand L. Marty, assistant professor of French and director of the language laboratory.

Extensive use of the group technique in language laboratories reflects this condition and tends, said Marty, "to rob the individual student of initiative and freedom."

Bradford Address

On the basis of his experience in the field, Marty addressed an "Audio-Visual Language Workshop" at Bradford Junior College Apr. 12 on "Ten Years of Intensive Experimentation with Language Laboratories — Some Conclusions."

"We have to simplify the use of the language laboratory," said Marty when asked about the "conclusions." At Middlebury, students go to the one-room language labs much as they go to the library, time spent depending on interest and sense of responsibility, whereas other schools are tending to set up scheduled group labs.

The chief danger of the spreading "group" system is that educators are "thinking in terms of machines, not students." Sitting with the rest of his classmates in a room full of elaborate speaking and listening stalls, the student has little control over what is fed him on a central monitoring system and may well become "the slave of the machine."

Middlebury changed in 1950 to its present system after two years' experimentation in group labs and has found the newer method better.

Marty also emphasizes that the language laboratory should not be used by itself, but that it is perhaps better applied as a review and drill session following the class in which new material is first presented.

Special texts are needed, Marty feels, to illustrate the difference between the spoken and written word; traditional texts are inadequate in this respect.

Part of his own experience has involved the writing of such a text, "Spoken and Written French for the Language Laboratory." He has also written an explanatory manual, "Methods and Equipment for the Language Laboratory."

Marty feels language labs to be an asset insofar as they "expose students to correct syntax and pronunciation," especially where the teacher's ability is deficient.

One of the biggest errors in modern thinking on the question, as Marty sees it, is the idea that labs may bridge the gap created by the teacher shortage. "All the students like sheep would be driven to the lab, without even knowing the personal enthusiasm that a really good teacher can communicate."

Associated Asides

'Ah, Sweet Mystery'

By OTIS SMITH

Undoubtedly the return from spring vacation is one of the most interesting occasions on the Middlebury calendar. The careful observer watches the returning mob, and in a few days he discovers drastic changes have taken place over the one-week vacation period.

AT A QUICK GLANCE one sees that the snow has disappeared and a touch of green has sprung from the departed slush. There is also evidence that various winged creatures have returned to haunt the environ.

Besides these obvious changes in our natural surroundings one may find more subtle changes in the body politic. Discussions in the local beanery take on a speculative tone. For example, the Young Miss with a glowing tan is examined closely by the wondering buck-skin lad.

"Could it be Florida or Bermuda? She doesn't ski, so it couldn't be Aspen. It must be Bermuda. I heard it rained in Florida." And so, as the suspense increases, the inevitable question is asked and invariably answered with a lengthy description of a sunny spa.

ELSEWHERE ALONG THE paths and roads connecting campus buildings a parade of spring fashions replaces the drab, formless duffer shapes. Once more warm spring weather brings out the filled and not so filled Bermuda shorts. But anything is a welcome change after months of wondering and debate.

PERHAPS OUR OBSERVER has noticed even another minor change. In the halls of Monroe a certain professor has abandoned his habitual heavy red-and-black sweater. A minor change to be sure, but another refreshing indication that spring has arrived.

Academic Atmosphere

Sororities Stress Scholarship

By ALFRED FARRELL

That Middlebury sororities do "as much as they are able to under existing conditions" to foster high scholastic achievement is the opinion of Sue Wallace '59, newly - elected president of the Panhellenic Council.

Feeling that sororities should and do stress scholarship in their over-all programs, Miss Wallace points to the success of internal "pressure" on women to strive for higher marks. Perhaps, she suggests, women are "more ashamed of bad grades."

Lack of Quarters

Chapter presidents and scholarship chairmen generally agree with Miss Wallace. They mention lack of adequate quarters as a limiting factor in their scholarship programs. "Without houses, we're rather cramped."

All sororities are pledged to uphold the Panhellenic minimum membership average of 75.5. Several chapters, in addition, have clauses requiring specific averages for office-holding.

In some chapters, each woman pledges, before each semester, to raise her average a definite number of points. A common reward for success is a dinner put on by those "who didn't."

Awards are offered by most of the sororities for the highest average as well as for the greatest improvement during the semester. The Panhellenic Council offers a cup each semester to the chapter with the highest average. Three wins retires the cup.

Scholarship Help

Scholarship aid is available through some of the sororities. The local chapter of Delta Delta Delta is offering this year one $300 and one $200 scholarship to any Middlebury woman regardless of sorority affiliation.

Programs promoting good study habits and intellectual interest are frequent features of sorority programs. Nationals offer a wealth of suggestions and faculty members are often speakers.

On the whole, sorority officers feel their academic problem is one of specific cases, rather than a matter of general concern. The chapters offer, and in some cases require, tutors for those needing help.

Most sororities keep a running record of marks and averages, while some post averages in an effort to create the "internal pressure" stressed by Council president Wallace.

Amherst Frosh Protest Measure

Freshman rioting greeted the decision of Amherst's House Management Committee calling for segregation of freshman and upperclassmen during rushing meals. Passed in order to relieve pressure on freshmen from fraternities during meals, the ruling requires in addition that "at no time may freshmen and upperclassmen eat at the same table in the snack bar."

Comment by President Charles W. Cole called for student acceptance, but expressed disapproval of "iron-clad" rules. Robert Parker, chairman of the undergraduate HMC, interpreted President Cole's comment as a desire to revoke the ruling because it included "all undergraduates" and to revise it to include only "fraternity members and freshmen."

A policy of non-retaliation against rioters was enacted at a HMC emergency meeting.

REGISTRATION SET

Registration for 1958 - 59 will begin Monday, Apr. 21. Present sophomores and juniors will register Apr. 21 - 28.

Freshman registration will be from Apr. 29 to May 5. At this time freshmen will choose majors. They will be advised by faculty members in their major field.

Eberhart To Give Abernethy Talk

Abernethy lecturer Richard Eberhart will read selections of his poetry and comment on modern poetry at 8 p.m. Wednesday in Mead Chapel.

"Eberhart continues to be original because his vision is constantly self-refreshing. He needs no masks to enhance either his vision or his impact," poetess Louise Bogan wrote in the New Yorker.

Eberhart says his mother's death from cancer when he was 18 made him a poet, for he "lived the allegory of life in that time." He defines poetry as "the ascent of the imagination."

Eberhart is now professor of English at Dartmouth. He has also lectured and taught at the University of Washington, the University of Connecticut and Princeton University.

Egbert Starr Memorial Library has several of Eberhart's books. Among them are "Undercliff: Poems 1946-1953," "Great Praises" and "Reading the Spirit."

Forum 'Theater' Presents Scouts

Women's Forum and the Middlebury Girl Scouts recently stepped into the realm of theater arts with a play production.

The play, a fairy tale, was written by Amy Handy, daughter of John Handy, director of admissions for men. Pamela Moyer, daughter of Walter Moyer, assistant professor of chemisty, played the leading role.

A solo dance was performed by Barbara Illick, daughter of J Rowland Illick, associate professor of geography.

Carolyn Ladd '60 wrote the songs and directed the singing; Carolyn Kuebler '59 handled props. Kalah Powers '61 was choreographer.

Gail Munson '61 was in charge of costumes. Some costumes were donated by director Nina Peterson '61; others were made by Forum and Girl Scouts.

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Curriculum Series

Division Causes Assets, Faults

By MARY FROMHOLZ and LEWIS LAYMAN

Middlebury is one of the few schools to divide the study of the general body of literature in the English language into English and American literature departments. Both the defects and the assets of the American literature major result from this division.

The major is necessarily highly specialized and intensive simply because of America's youth and comparatively recent cultural development. There are obvious advantages: deep and penetrating analysis of the material covered, an understanding of American thought trends and modes of expression and an acquisition of the basic tools of literary analysis. But there are correlative disadvantages: chauvinism or narrowness can result from intense specialization of this sort.

The major requires eight semester courses; the department offers nine. There is virtually no choice within the major. This system produces a more or less "die-cast" American literature major who has little choice of courses according to his personal interests. We personally would like to see more intensive courses in contemporary literature, since much of the early writing might better be classed under the topic "American studies."

The faculty of three is exceptionally good and offers demanding, stimulating and well integrated courses. They offer no "pipe courses." Because of the small number of professors in the department a limited number of viewpoints are presented.

Students in the department fall into two camps: those who are highly enthusiastic and those who are cynical but would not change their major.

The American literature major seldom has any more idea than any other liberal - arts student as to exactly what he is going to do with his education. If he chooses to do graduate work, his field will probably be English literature or American studies.

The extreme specialization of the American literature major is more than justified because the small number of requirements allows great freedom in selecting courses in other fields of study. The acquisition of background material is left up to the individual student.

The assets of the American literature major outweigh its defects and give the student not only a deep understanding of the literature but a profound comprehension of the American mind.

Lewis' New Orleans Jazz Band To Set Circus Tempo

By ANN BIGGAR

The George Lewis New Orleans Jazz Band, last of the great all-Negro jazz groups, will set the tempo for Junior Weekend Circus.

The members of this nationally acclaimed band grew up in the old New Orleans tradition. Leader George Lewis began his professional career at 14, playing in funeral and marching bands. Lewis and some of the men who play with him today remained in New Orleans when the '20's jazz craze was drawing players to other big cities.

The band's first appearance outside of New Orleans—in 1945 at the Stuyvesant Club in New York — marked the return to popularity of New Orleans jazz.

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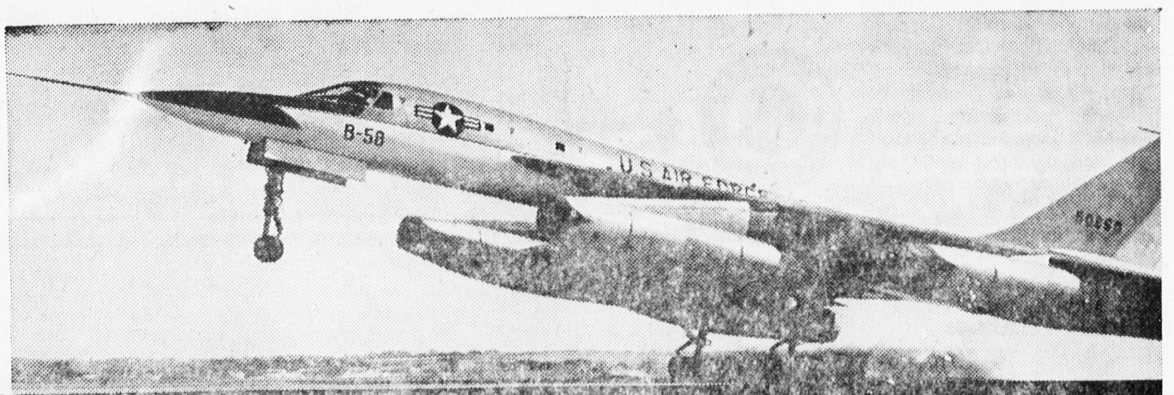

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Butz Cites Calm as Evidence Of American Youth's Maturity

EDITOR'S NOTE: Richard Woodworth, editor - in - chief of the CAMPUS for 1957 - 58, while on a trip to Washington, D. C., interviewed Otto Butz, author of "The Unsilent Generation." The CAMPUS feels that Mr. Butz is attempting through a realistic examination to achieve a constructive evaluation of American youth.

By RICHARD WOODWORTH

Already the target of a small commotion provoked by what he calls "actually a harmless little books about college students," Princeton professor Otto Butz is aiming for more.

The older generation is due for quite a beating when the editor of "The Unsilent Generation" completes his next work.

Butz said in a CAMPUS interview last week that the storm of protest raised by elders amid comparative calm from young people merely confirms his original hypothesis. American youth are "more mature" than their parents because they are more complex and more realistic.

No Snow

"You can't snow these kids very easily," he said.

This generation "doesn't go for easy solutions in a hurry" because it has what he believes is a very frank sense of the complexities of everything. Students are aware of their own limitations and those of the nation, according to Butz, and they are therefore "ready to be themselves."

Because the "bristling heroics" of the 1930's are over, the old are judging the young by standards that are no longer relevant. "Naturally," he asserted, "the young are found wanting."

These criticisms of the older generation appear in an article which Butz now is writing. The professor of political science hopes to sell it to a New York newspaper soon.

Anonymous Essays

"The Unsilent Generation" is a compilation of essays by 11 anonymous Princeton seniors who were asked to write frankly about themselves and their world. General reaction of American students to the book tends to agree with opinions expressed in the CAMPUS review (Feb. 28). "They think it's real," Butz declared.

"More or less ordinary seniors who were literate and conscientious" was the editor's sole criterion for selection. He said—perhaps unknowingly—that this eliminates three-fourths of Princeton, however.

He admitted that the Princeton administration was "unhappy" about his book because they felt it unfair to the University. "If these kids couldn't do it justice, who could?" Butz retorts.

Some students have criticized the book for being silent, not "unsilent." Butz disclosed that is is an "artificial title" imposed by the publisher for sales appeal.

Irked by people who think the 1950's are going to the dogs, Butz throughout the interview tossed sharp arrows at the elders and well considered praise at youth. "Students have achieved a new realism," he observed, "because the block or cliches between the ideal and real for the most part have been eliminated."

This generation—silently or unsilently—usually comes up with the right answers, he concluded.

Sororities Select Officers

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ency chairman, Judith Stoesser '59; treasurer, Susan Goodwin '60; recording secretary, Martha Gerhart '59; corresponding secretary, Marylee Hancock '59.

Pi Beta Phi elected Noel Caseley '59 as its president. Miss Caseley is a member of the Junior Council and her house board, has worked as a committee co-chairman for the Community Chest drive. She is the historian for her sorority and works on the Kaleidoscope's business staff.

Also elected: vice-president, Dorothy Landry '59; executive assistant to the president, Sarah Wagner '59; secretary, Nancy

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The CRYING TOWEL

by Arnie Bailey

Slipping and a'sliding and wondering what kind of a spring we're in store for this year. Winter is nothing but an icy memory; or at least what my Brigitte Bardot calendar tells me. So, I guess that spring must officially follow. And of course, that indicates the entrance of spring sports. (Eg: baseball, track, etc. for the tourists in the crowd).

In past years, Middlebury has undergone an annual athletic deflation as soon as old man sol shows his beaming face. It could be that some amount of deflation is expected, what with the tremendous winter athletic program we are blessed with. Because of our snowy surroundings, our forte must of necessity be skiing, or hockey, or snowball throwing, if we had it on a varsity level. Yes, like old "Mucaluc of the North" we were built for winter sports.

But where is the letdown really a letdown? On April 19th, all of our major teams "swing into spring". Over at Lang Field nine uniformed men will slosh and wade to their respective positions. Then some cat in a blue serge suit will rupture a tonsil yelling the proverbial "play ball", and the 1958 baseball season will set up shop. These Panther sluggers are no baseball monarchs to be sure, but last season's 9-5 record can't be sneered at. When one considers the limited amount of pre-season drill our team enjoys, a winning season looks like the eighth wonder of the world. But this team insists on winning, so the talent must be there. Either that or Bobo does real well with what he finds available.

If you're the type that craves real action, lacrosse should more than interest you. This game is as fast and rough and wide open as any you could hope to see. A literal ice hockey on old mother sod. Although it is a relatively new game as far as we are concerned, (actually the sport itself originated with Pocahontas or some other Indian hotshot) the caliber of play has improved tremendously in the past two seasons.

Now tennis, track, golf, and sailing are also played on the varsity level, if variety is what you're after. So, we have 'em all. But still the letdown insists on nosing in and making our campus look like an athletic graveyard during the spring.

It certainly isn't the players who bring about this annual decline. Their records prove they can stand up and battle with anyone in the area. Yes, the players and coaches seem to do their part. Futhermore, the administration holds up their end as well as can be expected. Then who is it that causes this deflation? Well, who's left sports fans? Looks like just you and me and the lamp post.

Now it won't do much good to gum away to the lamp post. Probably wouldn't dig my accent anyway. And I dislike chattering to myself. I've heard it gives one a complex. So I'll talk to you and your friend beside you. Afterall, you're the folks that must support our teams. And a little support can go a long, long way. Just cast your peepers at what it did for this year's hockey team. Why not mix a little pleasure with a little more pleasure. How about doing some of your spring sunning and grassing and lounging at an athletic spectacle this year. I guarantee you won't regret it. And neither will the guys you're watching.

Spring Sports Finally Here

1958 **SPRING SPORTS CAPTAINS FOR 1958: (seated left to right) Carl Scheer and Gerry Lenz, baseball, and Bruce Barlow and Floreal Lavin, lacrosse. (Standing left to right) John Keresztesy, golf, Rich Miner, track, and Pete Bostwick, tennis. These men will lead Panther forces through April 19th's opener.** 1958

The spring sports season has finally arrived. On Saturday, April 19, all of our major warm weather athletic teams are scheduled to swing into action. From forecasts already out, the season could prove to be both interesting and successful for most of the squads. All teams have now begun serious outdoor drills in preparation for their respective opening dates and by Saturday at least the rough edges should be trimmed off.

The base baseball team opens against R.P.I. The Panther lineup appears practically set to go as they moved outside to Lang Field on Monday. Coach Bobo Sheehan can call on veterans Lenz, Scheer, Ray, Wright, and Thomas. Behind these regulars a promising group of freshman and sophomore candidates should easily be harnessed together to form a formidable starting nine. The defense is air tight and the pitching has depth, but the hitting still remains questionable. R.P.I. has enjoyed more practice than the Panthers and appear ready to roll. But pick the Panthers in a surprising early season victory.

The golf team is also scheduled to entertain R.P.I. The match is scheduled for the Rutland Country Club but whether or not this course will be ready by the weekend is up to the weatherman. The squad has practiced at Rutland this past week and should be ready to send the engineers back to Troy with a loss tucked in their golf bags.

Tennis Match Off

The third home event was to have been the tennis match between the Panthers and Coast Guard Academy, but this match was canceled on Monday. To fill what has now become an open date, Coach Merriman is making efforts to schedule a practice match with the University of New Hampshire, but it seems highly improbable at this late date. The Coast Guard sortie would have been a good warmup for captain Bostwick and his racket men.

The lacrosse team, under Duke Nelson, will journey to Schenectady for their curtain raiser against Union. The prediction here appears to be an easy Union win due mainly to the lack of practice which should plague the Nelsonmen. Union is also rated one class above the Panthers in the Eastern lacrosse ratings but the action should provide Coach Nelson a good chance to see what some of his newer players are capable of.

Stub Mackey's track team should find tough going at Williamstown, as they take on host Williams College in their first track meet of the year. The Panthers, for the most part are untried and presumably weak because of this but, Stub could swing a few surprises. Nevertheless, Williams should grab a win at the expense of the Panthers. It could be a very interesting meet, though.

That's the final pre-season forecast. With a break here and there it could prove a mighty eventful weekend. Anyway, Spring is finally here.

Handy Series to Be Continued

EDITOR'S NOTE: The weekly series by admissions director John L. Handy Jr., will be continued and completed in next weeks issue of the CAMPUS. The final article will be cerned with the admission of athletes and their effect on the College status. Mr. Handy is also planning a series of articles to cover the other side of this universal college problem and will be included in the fall issues of the CAMPUS.

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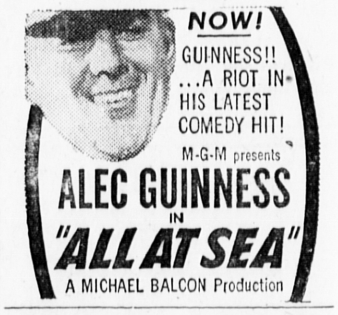

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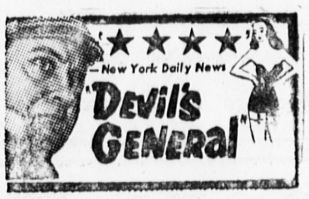

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Nelson Faces Rebuilding Year with Lacrosse Team

By WARREN LASELL

According to lacrosse coach Duke Nelson, this season will be "a year of building. We only have three seniors and we lack experience and conditioning."

The Panthers, who reported for their first outdoor practice Monday afternoon, will open their season at Union College Saturday. Nelson has scheduled a practice game for earlier in the week against Dartmouth.

Co-Capts. Lead Defense

Although their are many questions to be answered concerning the strength of the team, the defense is potentially very strong. Co-captains Bruce Barlow and Floreal Lavin, and David Bartlett all started at defense on last year's team.

Because of the loss of Ken Farrar, through graduation, however Barlow may have to play in the nets. Nelson is hoping that one of his inexperienced goal tenders will develope so that he will not need to make the change.

Losses Up Front

At midd field the team has been hit hard through graduation. Absent from last year's squad are Don Booth, honorable mention All New England, Wayne Reily, Charlie Palmer, Fred Scheider, Hugh Marlow and Pete Copper. John Mentor, Dick Maider, and Don Taylor should provide the Panthers with a solid first mid field line. However the team lacks depth at this position. The Middlebury mentor is counting heavily on Gordie Chader, Bill French, and Bob Hall to supply some of the missing depth.

The attack line has lost the services of Bob Telfer from the 1957 aggregation. This year's scoring load, it now seems, will fall mainly to Jim Carver and Lowrie Gibb.

Forecast Uncertain

The over all picture for the season is uncertain at this time. The team is young and lacking in experience. However it might develop very well. Much of this development, particularly depth, will have to come from the freshman tryouts.

Among the teams to be played by Middlebury this year are two teams from the second division, Union and Williams. The other opponents, Amherst, Massachusetts, and Hamilton are in the third division with Middlebury.

Golfers Set For Opener

If the season goes as expected for Duke Nelson's golfers 1958 could well be a banner year. Seven veterans are returning to greet the new season. Missing from last year's team are a scant two names; Don Sanders, last year's captain, and Pete Webber, who was with the team for only half the season. This year's captain John Keresztesy leads a group of very capable performers into the coming match with R.P.I. Paul Wise will probably tee off in the number one position with Keresztesy right behind him.

Could Be Powerhouse

For added depth, the squad is blessed with a fine array of veteran performers. Bob Rice and Mike Closson played well a year ago and are back. Bill Ryan, Bob Batal, Dave Courter and Bruce MacIntyre also return to round out coach Nelson's list of eight varsity veterans. Freshman Ray Faxon could conceivably win a varsity berth to give even more depth to an already powerful squad. The season's opener should prove a breather for what looks like a powerhouse

Tuesday Meeting Brings Verdict

Faculty Unanimously OK's Honors Plan

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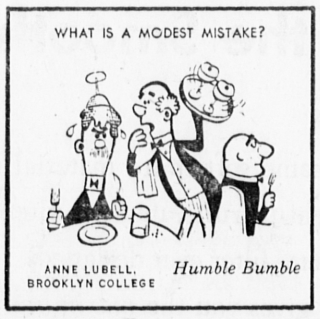

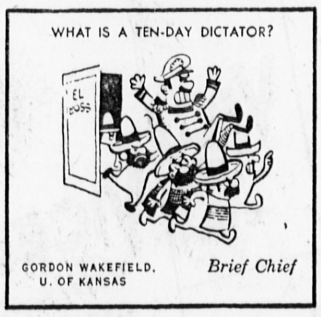

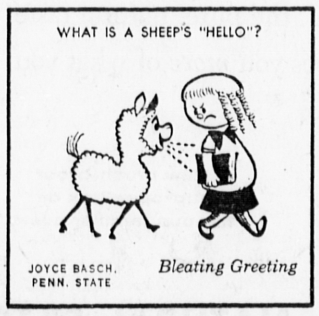

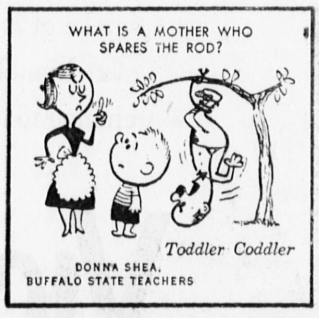

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President of Sigma Kappa will be Judith Webster, a junior. She is sorority rush chairman, a junior counselor, a member of the Glee Club, and has worked as a committee co-chairman for the Middlebury Conference.

She will be assisted by vice-president, Ann Turenne '59; pledge trainer, Josephine Vogel '60; treasurer, Elizabeth van Horne '60; recording secretary, Eleanor Vinke '59; corresponding secretary, Susan Chapman '59.

Deborah Bruce '59 will head Theta Chi Omega next year. Miss Bruce is on the CAMPUS editorial staff, is a member of the Christian Science organization and is a junior counselor. Others elected by TCO: vice-president, Rebecca Link '59; secretary, Nancy Frame '59; treasurer, Kathleen Bush '59.

Mortar Board . . .

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Nancy Smoller served as treasurer of WUA this year and has been chairman of its social calendar. She is a member of Women's Forum Executive Board, social chairman of Pi Beta Phi and vice-president of the French Club. She is a Junior Weekend Queen candidate.

Jo Ann Witmer was the Freshman Planning Committee co-chairman, chairman of step-singing, and a queen candidate for Junior Weekend. She is junior counselor and a member of the choir and the Missfits. She served this year as rush chairman of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

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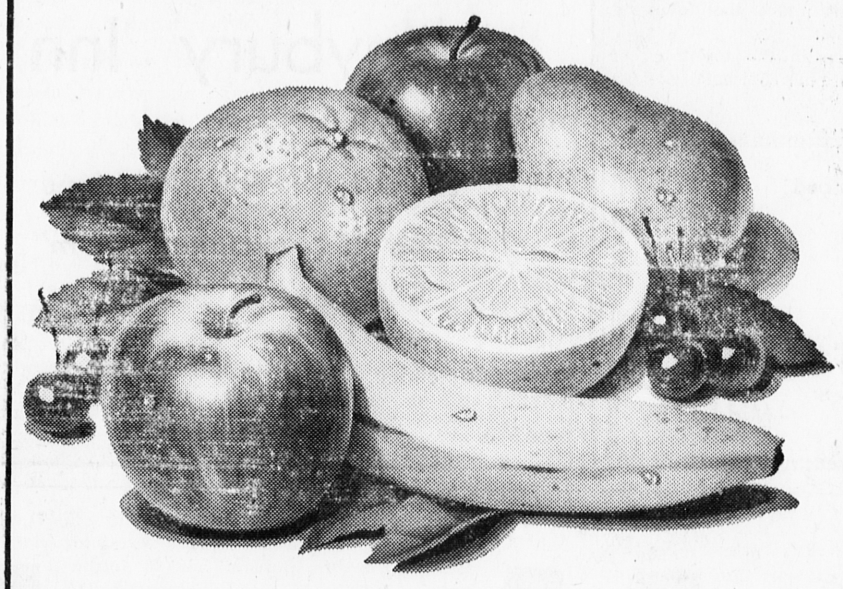

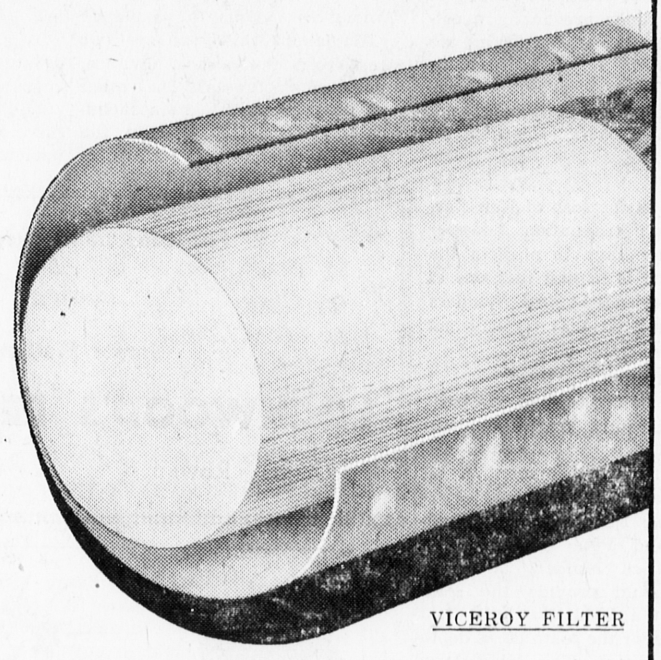

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